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CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1920.

TWO CENTS

LOCAL FIRE COMPANY CALLED
TO ASSIST AT MONESSEN FIREPark Hotel And Grocery
Store Prey to Flames Early
This Morning

DONORA CO. ALSO ASSISTED

The Charleroi fire department was called out at 2 o'clock this morning to answer a hurry call to Monessen, where a fire which broke out a short time before in the rear of the Park hotel, on Schoonmaker avenue, threatened to destroy the entire block.

The fire was discovered by some passers-by about 1:30 this morning, the blaze seemingly being in the rear of a grocery store owned by a man named Eckman. An alarm was instantly given and Ralph Brautegan, one of the first to respond, saw a man running down a nearby alley in a suspicious way, as if he desired to escape. He fired at the fleeing man but missed him.

In the meantime the Monessen fire company was called and realizing the danger sent calls for the Charleroi and Donora fire departments, both of which responded. The fire had gained such headway, however, before the arrival of these two companies, that the Park Hotel, the Eckman grocery and a residence in the rear of the hotel occupied by a foreigner were completely destroyed.

Whether the fire was of incendiary origin has not yet been determined, although many people are of the opinion that it was due to some outside agency. The loss will amount to several thousand dollars, as most of the contents of all three buildings were also destroyed.

The Monessen department gives great credit to the members of the Charleroi fire department, who took upon themselves work of the most arduous character and worked until six o'clock this morning in assisting in holding the flames in check. Had it not been for the Charleroi and Donora departments it is admitted that the loss would have been much greater, in fact it is asserted the entire block would have gone the way of the hotel and grocery store.

The Charleroi department has been called frequently of late to answer out-of-town calls and in every instance has responded. In this respect it has a record not equalled by any other department in this section of the valley.

A Haviland Dinner Set would make a wonderful Christmas Gift. Our stocks of Haviland and Nippon China are complete in open stock or complete sets. Porters Jewelry Store 502 Fallowfield avenue. Follow the big clock. 165tf.*

Notice
Our drug store will close one o'clock Christmas Day for the remainder of the day.
Carroll's Drug Store.
170-t2-*p

Rehula Studio closed Xmas Day.
170-t2.*

For Christmas Favors, cards and Novelties call at Wagners. 156tf.*

LOW PRICES CLOSE
MANY COAL MINES

For the first time in the history of the bituminous coal trade in the Du-Bois district, prices have shot downward in midwinter. Coal has been offering in that district as low as \$2.75 per ton. As a result of the slump, many of the smaller operations have closed down, as operators claimed they were losing money on every ton of coal produced.

PLEASING PROGRAM
FOR THE CHILDREN

The elementary department of the Sunday school of the Methodist Episcopal church gave a very delightful entertainment in the Sunday school room of the church last evening. A large audience of parents and pupils were in attendance, all of whom enjoyed the program given by the young folks. The program was as follows:

Song, by congregation.
Song—Hail Happy Christmas Day No. 2.
Responsive reading.
Prayer.
Song—King of Kings.
Recitation—By Miss Kibler.
Song—Once in Bethlehem of Judea.
Song—Christmas Story. Number Six.

Dialogue by boys—The Snow Bridge.
Song—The Glad Bells, Number Four.
Song—Tip-Toe, Tip-Toe, by Beginners.
Recitation—Thos. Gray and Billy Mitchell.

A Christmas Reunion.
There's a Song, Number Ten.
Song—The Birthday of a King.
Address and collection for children of Europe.
Tabelau.

At the conclusion of the program a treat was given to the members of the elementary department.

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* NO PAPER TOMORROW *
* Tomorrow being Christmas *
* Day, and in accordance with our *
* usual custom, no paper will be *
* issued from the office of The *
* Mail. We therefore take this *
* occasion to wish all our readers *
* a Very Merry Christmas. *
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Rehula Studio closed Xmas Day.
170-t2.*

Buy your Christmas Grafonola at Schroeder's. Wonderful stock to select from. Terms as low as \$2.00 per week. Schroeder Piano Co., Fifth Street, Charleroi, Pa. 149tf.*

Buy jewelry for Christmas. Lasts all life time. Porter's Jewelry Store 502 Fallowfield avenue. 164tf.*

Skeptics



Hissen, sis, we're takin' awful chances in expectin' very much for Christmas through a little gas grate chimney like this. Well, say, huh, maybe Santa carries a chimney stretcher with him, huh?

Guards At Brown Home Were
Fired On Early This Morning

Considerable excitement was caused this morning about one o'clock, at the home of Andrew Brown, back of Fayette City, when the guards on duty at the homestead were fired upon by two unknown men. The night was very dark, and the guards were unable to determine the identity of the men who opened fire. The guards returned the shots of the bandits, and immediately gave chase after discovering them on the premises. The intruders after being discovered opened fire and began a retreat down through the peach orchard, followed by the guards.

What is believed to be an important arrest was made by the State Police, Wednesday night, when Benjamin Bevier, aged about 22 years, was arrested in the garage of William Seibel, in Fayette City. Bevier was brought to the Belle Vernon lockup, where he was held until Thursday afternoon, when he was taken to Uniontown. It was reported that Bevier was writing a confession with reference to recent fires, which may be made public later.

Bevier is said to be the son of Rev. Bevier who at one time held religious tent meetings in and about Fayette City. It is intimated that the boy is not sound mentally.

MANY BASKETS TO
BE DISTRIBUTED

The Associated Charities of Charleroi will distribute thirty-five baskets of good things to the needy of Charleroi this evening. The contents of these baskets were contributed by the Charleroi Lodge of Elks, and each basket contains a generous supply of the season's good things. The donation given by the High School, amounting in value to about \$92.00 will be distributed some time next week.

WOMEN NOW ELIGIBLE
TO HOLD OFFICE

Women are now eligible to hold public office in Pennsylvania and any common law rule to the contrary has been set aside, ruled Attorney General George M. Alter in his first opinion rendered on Wednesday at Harrisburg to Governor William C. Sproul on his inquiry whether he could appoint a woman to be clerk of the courts of quarter sessions of Luzerne county.

Cosmopolitan Production
"HUMORESQUE"
A photoplay featuring ALMA RUBENS
3 Days, Coyle Theatre
MONDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY.
Adults 33 cents. Children 17 cents



Make his Christmas happy with a good box of Cigars, a carton of Cigaretts or a nice Pipe. Buy them at the UNITED CIGAR STORE. Charleroi's best equipped cigar store.

High Grade Cigars Boxes of 25	Tobies. Boxes of 50
Sensoria Perfecto\$2.00	Pollack Experts\$2.35
Benefactors\$2.50	Blue Z Havana\$1.60
Ricoro Invincibles\$2.75	Big X Havana\$1.60
El Verso\$3.25	Pitts. Marsh Havana\$1.60
Boxes of 50	Dry Slitz\$3.60
General Braddock\$3.75	Pollock Crowns\$3.30
Roymonta\$3.75	Tobacco
Ricoro Corona\$5.50	Prince Albert, 1lb\$1.45
	Prince Albert 1-2 lb\$.75

MIGHT'S BOOK STORE

COURT APPOINTS WOMAN AS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF WASHINGTONTWO ADDITIONAL POLICE
FOR SO. BROWNSVILLE

Owing to the heavy crime wave now sweeping over the country, the South Brownsville borough council, at a special meeting held Monday night, the police committee was authorized to co-operate with the Burgess in selecting two extra patrolmen to patrol the town at night. The salary for these men will be placed at \$150 per month.

STATE ORDER REDUCES
BELL TELEPHONE RATES

A telephone rate order of statewide importance was passed on Wednesday by the Public Service Commission when it permitted the Bell Telephone Company to file a new tariff, effective January 21, 1921, eliminating a war tax of considerable burden to the users of toll lines.

The order allows the company to make a reduction in the initial overtime period charge on 10-cent toll calls of from 5 to 4 cents, affecting the first overtime period of three minutes on a 10 cent toll call. On telephone calls costing 15 cents or over a war tax of 5 cents has been charged, making the total 20 cents. Under the new order the message will cost only 14 cents.

WASHINGTON AVENUE
S. S. TO GIVE TREAT

The Washington Avenue Presbyterian Sunday school will meet to-night at 7 o'clock, in the Sunday school room, at which time a short Christmas program will be rendered. A tree will be suitably arranged and Santa Claus will be present to treat about 350 beginners, primary, junior and intermediate pupils. All teachers of the above named departments are requested to be present.

To Our Patrons
who have made this the Biggest Christmas Business in our history, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Claybaugh & Milliken, Real Shoe Men.

"Successful Thru Service" 171t1.*

We have about 5,000 of the very latest talking machine records for you to select from. Also six sound proof booths to use in selecting them. Sit down and take your time. Schroeder Piano Co. Fifth street. 152-tf.*

A complete assortment of Christmas candies of the celebrated Key-mers and Johnson make. We have a box that will just suit your fancy. Wagners. 156-tf.*

First Appointment Of The
Kind To Be Made In
Pennsylvania

QUALIFIED FOR THE POSITION

Mrs. Lillian Brownlee, widow of the late Edwin P. Brownlee, was on Thursday appointed Burgess of Washington, and is the first woman in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be chosen for such a position.

The appointment was made by Judge J. A. McIlvaine, of the Washington county court, upon a petition presented by the members of the borough council, and immediately after announcing his decision the jurist administered the oath of office before a crowded court room.

The appointment of a woman as Burgess established a precedent in this county and in the state. Mrs. Brownlee is the first woman to be appointed to the office of Burgess in Pennsylvania. She is the second woman to be appointed to an official position in this county. Mrs. W. E. Lane having been appointed recently to succeed her deceased husband as a member of the board of directors of the poor of the county.

Judge McIlvaine, in making the appointment, said that the court's inquiry had elicited the information that Mrs. Brownlee was legally qualified for the appointment, that she was a qualified voter, had voted at the last election and was a property holder, and that under the ruling of the attorney general, in the matter of the appointment Governor Spraul made of a woman as clerk of courts in Luzerne county, a woman could be appointed to a position such as Burgess.

CHRISTMAS CANDIES
AT THE SUGAR BOWL

Now that Santa Claus is knocking at our door and the children cannot think of Christmas without sweets, come to us and make your headquarters at our store. Here you will find all kinds of sweets.

We have candies here—candies there—candies everywhere. Milk chocolate mixtures at 80c per pound. American mixtures at 70c per pound. Those are the leaders with the finest chocolate, the finest home made creams, walnuts and all kinds of fruits.

We have Reymer's, Johnson's, Booths, Samoset, Opex and Weber's. Come—Come—Come—Come and leave your order here so the kiddies will have a very happy Christmas.

SUGAR BOWL, MCKEAN AVENUE
CHARLEROI, PA. 165tf.*

Fill in on your last year's Dinner Ware gift. Our Dinnerware stock is complete. H. Porter, Jeweler, 502 Fallowfield avenue. Follow the Big Clock. 164-tf.*

Rehula Studio closed Xmas Day. 170-t2.*

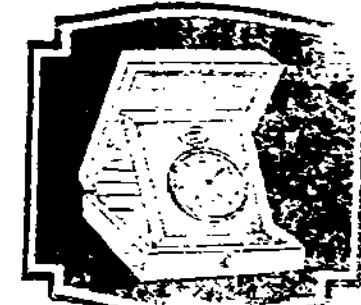
"BELOW THE SURFACE"
presenting Hobart Bosworth

picturing the most sensational under water adventure on the screen
"Sins of Roseanne" starring Ethel Clayton and Jack Holt
Also a 2 reel comedy, "One Week"

TOMORROW

COYLE THEATRE

Christmas Suggestions.



A watch that will measure up to your standard of equality for appearance in the case, that will measure time to the exact second. In offering you the Howard Watch we know you are sure of reliability, lasting service, intrinsic value. A watch adjusted to all positions. One that is an investment for life.

JOHN B. SCHAFER

515 McKean Avenue

Charleroi, Pa.

Majestic Theatre Today

Olive Thomas in "THE FLAPPER"

XMAS—"DOWN HOME" an all star cast

NOTE---WE OPEN AT 12 NOON.

Safeguard for Your Funds

A Checking Account with the First National Bank assures the best safeguard for your funds—besides it is convenient, economical and business-like to pay all bills with this efficient medium.

4 Per Cent Interest Paid on Savings Accounts

The First
National Bank
CHARLEROI, PA.

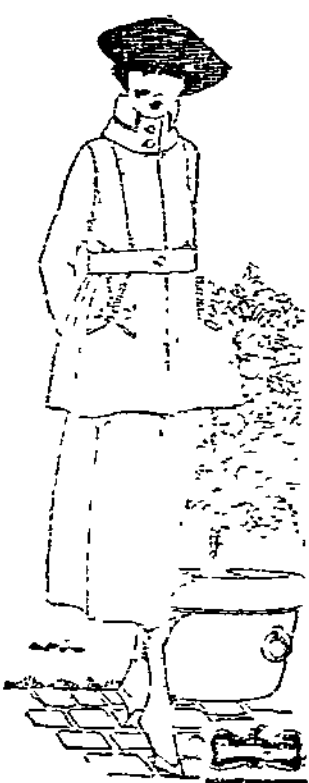
FAU DRY GOODS COMPANY

514-16 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, Pa.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY SALE

TO COMMEMORATE the end of this store's first year in business, under the name of FAU DRY GOODS COMPANY, we have set apart the **Week of December 27th** as a time to conduct one of our biggest SALES in order to reduce our stock prior to taking our inventory. We are going to disregard cost to insure moving our merchandise as the smaller our stock the less time it will take for invoicing. Our prices are to be the lowest we can possibly figure, as we want the merchandise to be sold in quantities, and we believe that the prices we have quoted will justify our customers buying that way. We would like to have you bear in mind that our former prices have been consistently low and the prices we are quoting below are considerably below market.

All Christmas Toys, Dolls, Glassware and Holiday Items $\frac{1}{2}$ Price



Ladies' Suits

LESS 50%

All our Ladies' Suits in Serge, Tricotine, Broadcloth and Homespun, in blue, black and mixtures, sizes 16, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46 that were consistently priced at low figures are included. Just 50 per cent is to be deducted during this sale.

\$55.00 Suits now	\$27.50
\$42.50 Suits now	\$21.25
\$25.50 Suits now	\$12.75
\$47.50 Suits now	\$23.75
\$30.00 Suits now	\$15.00
\$33.00 Suits now	\$16.50

SKIRTS

LESS 50%

All our Skirts are to go. Silks, Poplins, Tricotines, Serges, in plains, plaids, box and accordion plaids. Regardless of cost or quantity we will deduct 50 per cent from our prices to move them.

\$17.50 Skirts for	\$8.75
\$16.50 Skirts for	\$8.25
\$13.50 Skirts for	\$6.75
\$12.50 Skirts for	\$6.25
\$11.75 Skirts for	\$5.88
\$10.50 Skirts for	\$5.25
\$ 9.75 Skirts for	\$4.88
\$7.75 Skirts for	\$3.88

Skirts in Navy, Taupe, Black in Plaids and Stripes in regular and extra sizes.

DRESSES

All our big stock of Dresses in Georgette, Crepe-de-Chine, Taffeta, Satin and Messaline as well as our stock of Wool Serges, Poplins, and Tricotines in all desirable shades and sizes must go and the same drastic reduction of 50 per cent is applied to insure their going.

\$19.50 Dresses for	\$24.75
\$12.50 Dresses for	\$21.25
\$28.00 Dresses for	\$19.00
\$35.00 Dresses for	\$17.50
\$32.00 Dresses for	\$16.00
\$28.00 Dresses for	\$14.00

FURS Less 50%

Our mild winter, so far, has influenced this radical cut, just as the fur season is to open, but they, too, must go and our stock comprises Scarfs and Muffs of Fox, China Wolf, Black Lynx, Lucille Wolf, and Taupe China Wolf, and Chokers of Marten, Marmot, Mink and Sable. Wonderful bargains.

\$95.00 Scarfs for	\$47.50
\$72.50 Scarfs for	\$36.25
\$36.00 Scarfs for	\$18.00
\$18.00 Muffs for	\$24.00
\$10.00 Muffs for	\$20.00
\$22.50 Muffs for	\$11.25
\$78.50 Chokers for	\$39.25
\$55.00 Chokers for	\$27.50
\$16.50 Chokers for	\$8.25

COATS

Entire stock of Coats, including Plush and Cloth to go at 33 1-3 per cent Reduction. Fur Coats of Coney included. This means Ladies', Misses' and Children's Coats.

NOTE

During This Sale

No Goods

will be

Charged, Exchanged

or Laid Away

HOSIERY

Our stock of Hosiery is large and prices too numerous to mention, with sizes, so we have decided to make a flat reduction of **25 Per Cent** covering every pair of stockings and socks in our stock. Men's, Boys', Ladies', Misses', Children's and Infants' in silk, wool, cotton and hile to go at one-fourth less than marked.

Flannelette GOWNS

All our colored and white high-grade Ladies' Flannelette Gowns that were considered low priced at \$2.00 and \$2.50 are offered at

\$1.29 Each

REGULAR AND EXTRA SIZES

Silk PETTICOATS

Our entire stock of Silk Petticoats in all the beautiful shades and colorings in plaited and ruffled bottoms or Silk Jersey, Silk Poplins and Taffeta, reduced

33 1/3 Per Cent

Subtract one-third from our present low prices and then decide.

CORSETS

We have a few numbers of good corsets we have decided to discontinue and have priced them low to insure closing them out.

\$6.50 Corsets	\$4.50
\$5.50 Corsets	\$3.50
\$3.75 Corsets	\$2.50
\$3.50 Corsets	\$2.25
\$3.00 Corsets	\$1.98

Blankets and Comforts

No reason for being cold at night now. All our \$5.00, \$5.50 and \$5.75 Woolnap and 2 in 1 Blankets to close out at

Comforts that were \$7.50, \$9.00 and \$10.50...\$5.98

All Wool Blankets less 25 per cent.

Piece Goods

In Piece Goods we have been actually as drastic in our reductions as we have in other departments. The prices reflect our determination to reduce our stock regardless of cost.

Outing Flannel, fancy 35c-39c-48c grades	29c
Outing Flannel, heavy white, 29c grade	16c
Canton Flannel, heavy white 35c grade	25c
Lancaster Apron Gingham	15c
Dates Seersucker (2 to 6 yard pieces)	20c
Mohawk 90-inch wide Bleached Sheeting	65c
Mohawk 81-inch wide Bleached Sheeting	60c
Mohawk Sheets, size 81x90, also Lockwood	\$1.59
Mohawk Pillow Cases size 42x36, also Lockwood	39c
Percale, 36 inches wide, 39c grade	19c
Percale 28 inches wide, 25c grade	10c
All Lace Curtains, less	33 1-3 per cent
Bleached Muslin, "Hill," "Hope," "Lonsdale"	18c
Unbleached Muslin, heavy grade	14c
Unbleached Muslin, very heavy grade	16c
All Table Oilcloth	49c
27 inch Dress Gingham and Creviots, 35c grade	25c
Heavy Bleached Damask, 64 inches wide	90c
Wool Serge, Tricotine and Poplin Plaids less 33 1-3 p. c.	25c
Good Heavy Grade Half Linen Crash	25c
Kimona Crepe, 49c value	29c
Cotton Batts, 25c value	20c
Cotton Batts, 20c values	16c

UNDERWEAR AT A BIG REDUCTION

Ladies' Union Suits in high neck, long sleeve, low neck, elbow sleeve and low neck, no sleeve. First quality fleeced white suits that we have been selling all season for \$2.25 to \$3.50 now cut to

\$1.29

Sizes 36, 38, 40, 42, 44.

Girls Union Suits

Our regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 white fleeced union suits, in sizes from 2 to 16.

98 cents

Boys and Girls Vests and Pants

Our whole stock of first quality boys' and girls' Vests and Pants in all sizes, sold at this sale

LESS 25%

LADIES' VESTS AND PANTS

All sizes of white cotton fleeced Vests and Pants in good desirable weight. First quality.

LESS 25 PER CENT

Really Nothing New.
In Java is the great temple of Bodhi, temple of the many Buddhas, which was unearthed some years ago, and is known to have been built in the fifth century, and right near it is the lesser temple of Mendoe. Further north, in the Caroline Islands, are the ruins of an ancient city whose streets were waterways just as those of Venice are today. So when visits are made to these virgin islands and one feels almost like a discoverer of new lands it is well to remember that there is nothing new, even under the tropical sun.—Exchange.

"Is This the Mighty Ocean?"
In his autobiography, James G. Hume, the critic, says of his first view of the ocean: "When I saw the sea it was as flat as a temperance lecture. I was disappointed because of its wet monotony. I quoted Landor to help me out: 'Is this the mighty ocean?—Is this all?' Like the girl in the Stendhal novel, who found love insipid, I felt like asking: 'Is that all?'—Steeplejack." by James Gibbons Huneker.

Worth the Labor Involved.
In the old days, the Ceratopsian, or horned quadruped dinosaur, provisionally named the Eo ceratops, roamed the Red Deer valley, in Alberta, Canada, and at Steepleville, 125 miles southeast of Calgary, W. E. Cutler excavated a fine ossified specimen of this huge creature. One side is almost intact. Mr. Cutler had to cut through twelve feet of rock to clear away the skeleton. He had been excavating on this one specimen for eight months.

New Way of Serving It.
Emily wanted a tea party one afternoon, so after she arranged her tea set for the important event her mother and I sat at the little table beside her. Her mother started to pour the little tea pot and turning to Emily asked in a very formal way, "Miss Emily, will you have yours with or without?" After seriously thinking a moment, Emily replied, "Within, please."—Exchange.

In Seattle.
The man who stopped a stranger to say: "What's that on your face?" and then, when after a moment of puzzling silence, answered himself: "Your nose," returning from the hospital said he was convinced that Tenyson was right in concluding that "a sorrow's crown of sorrows is remembering happier things."—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Substitute for Gold.
What is said to be a serviceable substitute for gold is obtained by combining 94 parts of copper with six parts of antimony and adding a little magnesium carbonate to increase the weight. It is said that this alloy can be drawn, wrought and soldered very much like gold and that it also receives and retains a golden polish.

There Is Hope, as Munyon Said.
Bill Steadum says that if a young married couple can live through September without having a fatal quarrel over whose duty is to get up and get the extra cover, the chance is pretty fair to live until the next green tomato pie season, anyhow.—Wilmington News-Journal.

Simple Explanation.
Pierre was trying to solve an example in arithmetic, but it came out 2 cents less than it should, over and over again. So I offered to help him; when all of a sudden he said: "I bet I know now what the matter is. I ought to add 2 cents for war tax."—Exchange.

Appetite of Birds.
Birds are usually voracious eaters. Some birds consume two and a half times their weight of food in twenty-four hours. The heron, which has the light weight of four pounds in spite of its size, is a striking example. Wild pigeons are among the greediest eaters.

Novel Table.
A novel table for workshops can be turned and locked in thirty-two different positions to save the labor of moving objects on which work is being done.

Protects Eyes.
To protect the eyes from an electric light without interfering with the illumination in other directions, a metal shade, to be attached to a lamp with a wire spring, has been patented.

Elegance.
Elegance is something more than ease—more than a freedom from awkwardness and restraint. It implies a precision, a polish and a sparkling which is spirited yet delicate.—Kadlitt.

New Scale Appears.
Balance scales are accurate only when level. Scales of a new design are built on a new principle which never vary on this account.

Birds' Songs on Record.
Phonographic records of birds' songs have been successfully made for future reference.

Ability.
Ability involves responsibility. Power to its last particle is duty.—Alexander MacLaren.

Team Work.
Flattery would not go far if reality did not meet her halfway.—Boston Transcript.

N. W. Schlup Company

THE STORE OF VALUES

525-29 Donner Avenue, Monessen

AN AFTER-CHRISTMAS EVENT

We Inaugurate a Great

1/2 OFF SALE

preparatory to stock-taking period, comprising various classes of seasonable merchandise. Of all the opportunities we have offered you this one

Beginning Monday Morning, December 27, at 9 a. m.

and continuing until Friday Evening, December 31

comprising the greatest opportunity in this community or any other vicinity. Please do not ask for these values after this date, as it will be impossible to continue these sacrifices any longer than the above period.

With Compliments of the season, we wish A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

N. W. SCHLUP CO., 525-529 Donner Avenue, MONESSEN

Frontier Riding Records.

Two notable cavalry rides of the frontier days were those of Tom Tobin and John Kirley. Tobin, when a mere lad, carried dispatches for Gen. Kearney during the Mexican war, once making a record of 500 miles in less than 11 days, using six horses. Kirley performed a similar service from the army camp near Salt Lake during the Mormon troubles, riding to Fort Leavenworth, 1,100 miles in 17 days, using only four horses. He had to abandon his last mount a few miles from his destination and carry his saddle in.

Dire Effect of Stuttering.

We, all of us, possess undiscovered gifts. Life's conflicts, especially to those suffering from speech defects, are so tremendous and severe that these gifts are often starved out. The few that have the supreme endurance to keep on and override their handicap to success pay a terrific price for their strain. Many a stutterer begins life as wholesome and optimistic as any of us, but turns crabbed under his sufferings and breaks down nervously at the end.—Exchange.

A Notoriously Lovable Man.

Of a New York yeggman recently murdered a paper naively says: "He had been only four months out of jail; he had served four terms for burglary and truck thievery; his father said his son never came home except to extort money from his family. All the witnesses insist that he had no enemies and none of them can think of any reason why anyone should have tried to kill him."

Good Art.

Good art always consists of two things: First, the observation of fact; secondly, the manifesting of human design and authority in the way that fact is told. Great and good art must make the two; it cannot exist for a moment but in their unity; it consists of the two as essentially as water consists of oxygen and hydrogen, or marble of lime and carbonic acid.—Ruskin.

Valley Once Great Sea.

The Red River valley, according to Professor Parks, was near the coast of a great inland sea 3,000,000 years ago. This sea stretched from the Gulf of Mexico to the Arctic Ocean. The sand along the shallow, brackish shores of the now extinct body of water has formed a splendid preservation of specimens of prehistoric animals.

To Tell How Much Can Will Hold.

Measure the diameter and height of the can in inches. Multiply the diameter by itself and the product by the height. Take one-third of one per cent of the total and this answer will be the number of gallons, correct to one-tenth. For exact result 2 per cent of the total may be added.

Collecting Truffles.

"Truffles?" said the boy. "Why? They're a sort of mushroom that don't come up." Accurate enough, excepting that truffles are not mushrooms. However, they are fungi (and are cousins to the mushroom) and they taste and look (inside) a good deal like mushrooms. The best truffles in the world grow in France. Other species grow in Italy and Spain and even in England.

Truffles grow underground, much like potatoes, except that they grow individually and not on the roots of a plant. In appearance they are globose, bright brown and black, and are covered with polygonal warts, not so very unlike the eyes of a potato. Their flesh is a blackish gray, seamed with white veins. They smell mighty good when they are ripe—something like crushed strawberries. Later the smell grows stronger, but it doesn't recall the perfume of the strawberries then—far from it.

Oldest of Industries.

Perhaps the oldest of all industries is sheep raising, for it was practiced even before agriculture. Wool is the product of cultivation or domestication, for there are no wild animals which closely resemble the wool-bearing sheep. Floyd W. Parsons in the Saturday Evening Post says that with the discovery that cloth could be made from wool came an effort to improve the fleece by selection and breeding. The early Romans were most successful in this pursuit, and their endeavors along this line resulted in developing a fleece of great fineness. After the conquest of the Iberian peninsula, Roman sheep were introduced into Spain, where they so greatly improved the native flocks that even during the Roman supremacy Spanish wool led the world's markets, a prestige held for many centuries.

Japs Hold Fuji Sacred.

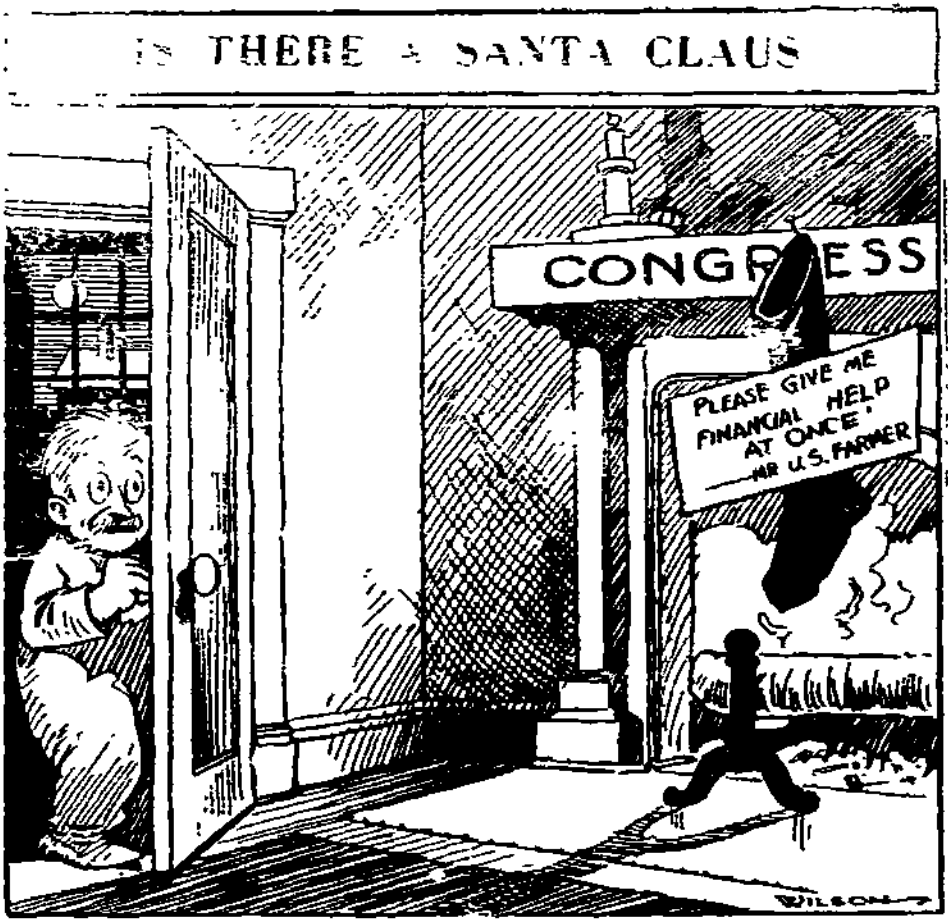
Fuji is the name of Japan's most famous mountain, and, writes the Japanese correspondent of the London Morning Post, no Japanese thinks anything of himself until he has made some effort to ascend its sacred heights. To climb Fuji is a religious duty to most Japanese, while only a pleasure to some and a boast to others. Its graceful cone, like an inverted fan, is so familiar to all admirers of Japanese art that it needs no description here. But in Japan every mountain has a spirit; and the spirit of a beautiful or awe-inspiring mountain is to be strictly respected.

Easy Method.

You can judge whether apples are fresh or not by the sass they give you.—Boston Transcript.

Born Experts.

Some girls can't keep a beag; others can find a "spark" into a regular "dame."—Boston Transcript.



Lake's Peculiar Migration.

Near Valdosta, in Georgia, there is a lake three miles long and three quarters of a mile wide, with an average depth of twelve feet of water which disappears every three or four years and then comes back again. It disappears into natural subterranean passages, taking two or three weeks in the process and leaving a beautiful sandy basin. After a month or so the water begins to come back, and in a couple of weeks it is the same old lake.

Sand Generates Electricity.

A curious phenomenon of the Sahara is the charging of motorcar bodies with electricity. Lorries running in the vicinity of Gabes are reported to be often affected, and drivers grasping the starting handle after a stop are liable to receive severe shocks. The electrification is supposed to be imparted to the chassis from charged sand blown against it, the rubber tires serving as insulation to retain the charge. By trailing wires, ground connection is made, and the charge dissipated.

A "Pig" in the Bed.

Many words in everyday use have quite another meaning in remote corners of the country. An auction is a dirty or untidy place; and some rustic, when unwell, tell you that they feel "comical." A pig or piggy is a two-water bottle—hence the story of the traveler who returned to civilization with a tale that in Northumberland...

Franklin Pierce "Dark Horse."

Franklin Pierce was the second "dark horse" in a presidential race. The Democratic party was reunited in 1852, and most of the Democratic leaders of that time were in a fierce struggle for the Democratic nomination. There were Lewis Cass, James Buchanan of Pennsylvania, Stephen A. Douglas of Illinois, and William L. Goussard of New York. Not until the thirty-fifth ballot was the name of Franklin Pierce brought before the convention. Then, Virginia cast her 15 votes for him, and he was nominated on the forty-fifth ballot.

Islands of the Antilles.

Earthquakes and hurricanes are familiar phenomena in Martinique. Likewise Guadeloupe, which is really two islands, called Grande Terre and Basse Terre, a narrow arm of the sea separating them. The former is mostly lowland, with extensive sugar plantations, while Basse Terre, despite its name, is rugged, with cloud-capped mountains that show modest signs of volcanic activity. Not far to the south is a bunch of small islands which, being regarded as one of the strategic points of the Antilles, are fortified.

Biblical Lilies Believed Anemones.

The "lilies of the field," so often mentioned in the Bible, are thought to be the red and purple, particularly the red, anemones with black centers. These anemones grow among thorn bushes in the East, which accounts for the "lilies among thorns."

WOMEN GIVE OUT

Housework is hard enough when healthy. Every Charleroi woman who is having backache, blue and nervous spells, dizzy headaches and kidney or bladder troubles, should be glad to heed this Charleroi woman's experience:

Mrs. W. H. Hendershot, 814 Followfield Ave., says: "I think too much hard work and being on my feet a good deal caused my kidney trouble some time ago. My back was very weak and I often became dizzy and black specks appeared before my eyes. My head seemed to never stop aching and I was so nervous it seemed I could fly. My kidneys acted irregularly, too. Doan's Kidney Pills improved my condition wonderfully, flushing out my kidneys and strengthening my back. I can't say too much for Doan's."

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While the selection is complete is a good time to visit Wagners and get your Christmas favors, cards and novelties. 156tf

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- Five rooms Shady Ave. \$3800
- Four rooms Crest Ave. \$3700
- Six and four room house Followfield Ave. \$6500
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DEBAUCHING THE CHILD MIND.

"From various sources protests are being made concerning the character of a publication known as 'Current Events' and used for educational purposes in many public schools," declares the Republican Publicity Association through its President, Hon. Jonathan Bourne, Jr. "An inspection of almost any issue will show many indications that the publication is not entirely fair in presenting facts, but is coloring its utterances in support of the League of Nations scheme and is friendly to the Wilson Administration."

"In the issue for November 19, for instance, the first column on the first page is devoted to quotations from a Paris newspaper presenting arguments in favor of the United States entering the League. On the second page there is a defense of that portion of the Peace Treaty which gives Shantung to Japan. On page three there are several paragraphs presenting the League question in a most favorable light from the standpoint of those who favor the United States becoming a member. Among other things this issue of Current Events says:

"Many Democratic Senators believe the President will not re-submit the Treaty or do anything whatever to relieve the Republican Senators and Mr. Harding of their complete responsibility for its fate."

"This is practically an assumption that the Republican Senators and Mr. Harding are solely responsible for the defeat of the Peace Treaty. The fact is that Republicans notified President Wilson in advance that they were opposed to the inclusion of the League scheme in the Peace Treaty and President Wilson assumed responsibility for the fate of the Treaty when he defied the advice the Senators had given him. Moreover, after the Treaty had been submitted and thoroughly discussed, the Republicans in the Senate, including Mr. Harding, proposed certain reservations and then voted for the Treaty with the limitations proposed. The Treaty with reservations was defeated under instructions from President Wilson, who must bear responsibility for that action. It is apparent, therefore, that 'complete responsibility' for the fate of the Treaty does not rest upon the Republican Senators and Mr. Harding."

"Other instances might be cited of an effort in 'Current Events' to create sentiment in favor of the League Covenant and also to defend the Wilson Administration. There is also a gratuitous slap at Members of Congress based apparently upon political gossip."

"If the publishers of 'Current Events' desire to conduct propaganda in behalf of the League of Nations and in defense of the Wilson Administration, that is their privilege. It is the duty, however, of public school officials throughout the United States to see that any material introduced into the public schools for educational purposes is fair and impartial in its presentation of facts and arguments. It will be well for school officials everywhere to secure and examine copies of 'Current Events.'"

Uncle John's Josh

LOOKS TO ME LIKE
THE FELLER WHO
WONT BUY CLOTHES
TILL PRICES GET
'NORMAL' WILL HAVE
TO EMIGRATE TO
THE GARDEN OF
EDEN



BARTENDERS WARNED TO GIVE UP JOBS

Men employed as bartenders in both Homestead and Braddock hotels have been challenged by the Rev. W. M. Woodfin, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Homestead, a special prohibition agent, to sever their connections with their present employment before January 1, or face prosecution for selling intoxicating liquor. A notice to that effect was given them on Thursday by the minister, who said he intends carrying the fight against illegal liquor traffic in the two towns to a bitter end.

Mr. Woodfin claims to have evidence of sales made by practically all bartenders employed in Homestead and Braddock hotels. Heretofore suits have been brought against proprietors of hotels only, of places where alleged sales of liquor were made. Now it is proposed to include the bartenders. At the same time it is intimated that injunction proceedings are likely under the abatement clause of the Volstead act. It is said that the saloon and hotel keepers of Homestead have announced their intention of closing their business before the first of the year.

COURT MAY NAME WOMAN BURGESS OF WASHINGTON

The petition of the Washington borough council for the appointment of Mrs. E. P. Brownlee as Burgess, to succeed her late husband, was presented to court on Wednesday, by Attorney Clyde E. Pipes, solicitor for the borough. The court, in receiving the paper, gave notice that the petition would be disposed of this morning at 10 o'clock, at which time the court said it would be ready to hear anyone desiring to be heard relative to the appointment, either for or against.

NO WOMEN JURORS IN COUNTY FOR YEAR 1921

On next Monday the work of re-filling the Washington county jury wheel for 1921 will begin. Judge Jas. I. Brownson will supervise this work this year, and the work will be in charge of the jury commissioners. A few more than 1,000 names will be placed in the wheel. No provision will be made this year for women jurors, as the courts are not prepared at this time to take care of them. It is a problem that will have to be worked out later.

FIRE CALL TO THE MAJESTIC THEATRE

The fire company was called to the Majestic theatre this morning about 7:45, caused by some paper taking fire in the basement. There was considerable smoke, but no damage was done.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PAGE MILL HAS RESIGNED

George A. Paff, who for the past three and one-half years has been the superintendent of the Monessen plant of the Page Steel and Wire company, has resigned his position to accept an appointment with the Wheeling Steel Corporation. The resignation becomes effective Dec. 31.

Come all ye faithful and rejoice
Hear ye not the Angel's trumpet
voice
Hark the Celestial Choir's sing
Glory, Glory, to our new born King.
Look, the Star of Bethlehem
How beautiful it shines
While peace on earth to men of good
will
The Heavenly music chimes.

For our promised Messiah of the Virgin
was born
On this wonderful Christmas morn
But that beautiful star with its shine
so bright
Twas a guide to those Shepherd's on
that holy night.

For the Angel appeared in the heav-
en's on high
Hear ye not he said with a joyful cry
Hark ye glad tidings on this early
morn
That your hearts may be
glad that was born.

While the Shepherd's in silent
heard their knee
The heart's of Mary and Joseph beat
with ecstasy
And Glory be to the Heavenly Father
on high
Is the prayer, of the faithful and
heart's gladdest cry.

Come all ye faithful and rejoice
Hear ye not the Angel's trumpet
voice?
For with the Celestial choir they will
sing
Glory, to our new born King.
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PLEASANT OCCASION FOR READING CIRCLE

The Magic City Chautauqua Circle met Thursday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Pfelehardt on Fallowfield avenue, and the program was full of interest from the beginning. Both the Christmas season and the recent closing of the book on Italy were celebrated at the meeting last evening. The house was neatly decorated with the holiday colors, lending into a center effect where a decorated Christmas tree finished the whole picture. Ribbons led through the branches of the tree until at the end there was a gift for each guest. On the dining table was placed a large map of Italy and the prominent men of that country were identified with the place of their labors by each member one such statesman.

Beautiful picture quotations or the Yuletide season embellished the refreshment hour. The literary part of the program was conducted by Mrs. Vivia Stewart, who called upon each member to contribute some part. Mrs. McNaughton gave a pleasing production on the life of Caribaldi. The program of the evening was interspersed with musical numbers that added much to the pleasure of those present. Representative Italian dishes, with the statesmen represented in miniature at each plate, made the review of the book more real. The evening was one of the most enjoyable that the Circle has had during the present year's study.

IF TEACHERS MUST SHIMMY. WHY, SHIMMY AT HOME

Teachers of German township, Fayette county, who persist in attending the weekly dances in public dance halls will be asked to resign. If the Microscope, official high school publication in the last issue, correctly interprets the recent action of the board of education of German township, "If you want to shimmy, teachers, shimmy at home" admonishes the Microscope in a timely discussion on "Dancing Gets Rapped."

"Freshness" Generally Ignorance.
Sometimes freshness takes the form of familiarity with superiors. We may be created "free and equal." That is, we may be created with the hope that in time we may become free and equal. But ordinarily there is a world of difference between a freshman and a judge of the Supreme court. The fresh know it all. They are impatient of progress and freely tell us what they are going to do when they get started. The old judge isn't sure about many things. He must have time to secure and digest the evidence. When he speaks his opinion becomes a law to the nation. Yet how presumptuous in fledglings to begin argument with those who really know. Still that's the way of the fresh. It has to be endured until it can be cured.—Exchange.

Playing the "Trifling" Game.
Trifling becomes a mania. Look over the list of the people you know and note how frequently many of them lose all self-respect and become aliens to principle. You can't reason with a crazy man. Neither can you reason with a fellow who has developed the trifling habit. He knows no sympathy and has no pity. He wants to do only the thing that appeals to him. Let others fret and fume about his jealousy. He cares only when the strong hand of justice makes him fearful for the safety of his mean skin. The fact is the fellow is crazy in his line. He feels that all the world is subject to his exploiting. So he goes on doing the mean and underhand things that make the playing of the trifling game possible.—Exchange.

Butterfly Jazz?

Upon meeting one of their own species, the tiger swallowtail butterflies will execute a kind of aerial waltz as they flit above, below and around each other in their play on the wing, says the American Forestry Magazine of Washington, D. C. Coming out into the open fields, their flight leads them here and there in varied course, as they visit the flower tops of thistles, golden-rod, and other attractive plants. Growing thirly, down they come to some low, flat bank of a sluggish stream attracted by the presence of others of their kind, and sit away to their hearts' content, basking only now and then for a brief frolic in the sunlight. With some other fellow, black and yellow unabashed of their own sort with no care in its bit of a brain to worry it.

Don't stand to be trifled.
S. Giovanni, Alchano, Guzman, who traveled specially from Rome to Baltimore in order to be present at the performance of "Parsifal" on July 23, 1921, was surprised to see Wagner drive up to the theater "in a carriage which also conveyed a large barrel of beer packed exceptionally on the top of the car by the side of the driver. This was carried into the theater, presumably with a view to slaking the thirst aroused in the gullets of Wagner and his friends by the performance of his masterpiece."

CONTROLLER REFUSES TO PAY DAMAGES AWARDED

H. C. Rasel, of Mt. Pleasant township, has filed a suit against Washington county in which he claims \$119.50, alleged due him as damages for sheep killed and injured by dogs. The flock was raided on November 14, 1919 and 11 were killed and six injured. It appears the commissioners of the county approved the adjustment of the damages, as submitted to them, but that the controller of the county has refused to approve payment.

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ADS**

FOR SALE—10 white Leghorn chickens, 1 rooster, 617 Fifth street. 165-16p

FOR SALE—Three counters, shelving and Grocer's ice box. Apply National Grocery Co., 531 Fallowfield avenue, Charleston. 166-1f

FOR SALE—Corner Sixth and Meadow, six room house, reception hall, bath and pantry, cemented cellar, garage 12x18 feet, cemented floor and pit lot 57 1-2x100 feet. Apply on premises. 167-46p

FOR SALE—Dodge Touring car, overhauled. Repainted. all new fenders. New top. Good as new. Price \$700.00. See D. R. Duvall. 169-14

FOR SALE—Hot blast heating stove. Inquire 710 Fifth street. 170-6

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms with sink and range, one large room with kitchenette for light housekeeping. 212 Washington avenue. 167-15p

WANTED—Married man over 30 years old for solicitor and collector for debit. Apply Colonial Life 523 Fallowfield avenue 170-42p

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Inquire 617 Washington avenue. 168-7f

WANTED—Laundry help, waitresses, dormitory help. Good home, good wages. Southwestern State Normal School, California, Pa. 170-112

SALESMAN—To sell high class advertising calendar and fans in Charleston and surrounding territory. Highest commission paid promptly. Selling season commences January 1st. Geo. H. Jung Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. 171-11p

LOST—Small gold wrist watch between Third and Eighth street either on McKean or Fallowfield avenue. Reward if returned to 499 Mail office. 170-11p

For prompt delivery of coal see G. W. Silbaugh. 223 Fallowfield avenue. 167-16p

FOUND—Eight keys on ring. Owner may have same by calling at this office and paying for this ad. 171 1f

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping, 924 McKean Avenue. 171-11p

Valuable Stimulant.
Herba mate is a drink somewhat similar to tea or coffee, which is made from the roasted and ground leaves of a bush which grows in Paraguay. Mate, or Paraguayan tea, as it is also called, is believed to be not only a stimulant but an aid to digestion, and it said to be agreeable and refreshing. It overcomes fatigue to such an extent that laborers and travelers who drink it can keep going for whole days without food. It may be prepared with milk and may be taken with or without sugar.

What Caused Queer Sounds.
Complainers made about a woman's club in London because of a noise of thumping on the walls that began at 7:30 every morning brought out the fact that a woman of sixty and a woman of seventy-five, trying to reduce flesh, were competing in high kicking. "I have hit the wall at four and one-half feet," said the sixty-year-old woman, "and have lost two pounds. The old lady of seventy-five has kicked seven inches higher, but I won't be beaten by her."

Divorce Notice.
In the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County, Pa., Dorothy Duncan Wells vs. Ward W. Wells subpoena sur libel for divorce. No. 158 August Term 1921.

Notice To Respondent.
To Ward W. Wells, respondent in the above mentioned case: You are hereby notified in pursuance of the Order of Court of Common Pleas of said County of Washington, to be and appear in the said Court on the second Monday of February next, being the 14th day of the month to answer the petition of libel hereto preferred by the libellant, Dorothy Duncan Wells your wife and show cause if any you have, why the said Dorothy Duncan Wells should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you agreeably to the Act of Assembly, in such cases made and provided. Hereof fail not under the penalty of having said petition heard and a decree of divorce granted in your absence.
Alexander B. Gray, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office:
December 6, 1920.
A. Kirk Wrenshall, Atty.
Dec. 10-17-24-31

Christmas Offer
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RICKETS DID THIS.



Before this five-year-old Vienna girl was operated upon in the American Convalescent Home her leg was even more horribly deformed from rickets and she was in constant instead of intermittent pain. Now at least her leg is straight again, and by degrees she is relearning to walk. Rickets is the aftermath of under-nutrition, and it is to cut down the harrowing prevalence of such disease as this among the children of Europe that eight American relief organizations are making a joint appeal under the name of the European Relief Council for funds to succor the millions that face a winter of horror. They are the American Relief Administration, the American Red Cross, the American Friends' Service Committee (Quakers), the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, the Knights of Columbus, the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A.

PLIGHT OF REFUGEE CHILDREN TERRIBLE

One hundred thousand Russian refugees in Poland are absolutely destitute, according to official estimates. The majority of them are women and children. The condition of the latter particularly is pitiful and they will be among the beneficiaries from the \$33,000,000 fund being raised by the European Relief Council, composed of eight leading American relief agencies for a joint appeal in behalf of the millions of little Europeans who can look only to America for the food, clothing and medical care that will make it possible for them to survive the winter.

CONTRIBUTION'S EXEMPT FROM TAXATION.

Contributions to the collection of the European Relief Council for the European children's relief fund are exempt from taxation and may be deducted from income tax returns, according to a ruling that has been made by the office of Internal Revenue in Washington.

Giant Eels.

It is said there are eels no one can land. Some years ago a giant conger was caught in shallow water off the shores of England. It measured eight feet, eight inches in length, and weighed 148 pounds. Congers half that size have been known to bite a man's hand in two and to have driven their teeth through the blade of an ear. In 1913 Kakanamsku, the champion swimmer of Honolulu, was attacked by a giant eel which dragged him under water and held him there for nearly two minutes. He escaped at last, but at the cost of a finger from his right hand. Eels attain an immense size in the rivers of New Zealand and have been known to attack bathers. In fact, many cases of drowning have been proven to be where eels have dragged the bathers beneath the surface of the water.

Empire's Gradual Dissolution.

"Holy Roman Empire" was the name given to the Germanic empire of the middle ages, supposed by a fiction to be a continuation of the universal domination of the Romans and the Kaisers, the successors to the world-wide sovereignty of the Caesars. Charlemagne was crowned emperor of the west by Pope Leo III in 800 A. D. In 960 Otto the Great was crowned as emperor of the Romans by Pope John XII and the "Holy Roman Empire of the German Nation" formally proclaimed. This fiction was continued under one form or another for centuries, both the empire and the power of the overlord becoming more and more mythical, until in Napoleon's time the shadow of the empire, which Voltaire said was neither holy nor Roman, nor an empire, disappeared.

It used to take the old-time cobblers a day and a half, working steadily, to manufacture one pair of coarse boots; and the cost was \$4, writes Frank G. Carpenter, in "How the World Is Clothed." Suppose we go back to the days of the colonies and see how the footwear of our forefathers was made. Thomas Beard was the first shoemaker to come to Massachusetts. He arrived in the Mayflower in 1620, bringing a supply of hides with him. Others of his kind followed and they soon began making boots and shoes of American leather. At that time it was common for the cobblers to journey about from one farm to another, staying at each house long enough to make the home-tanned skins into shoes for the family.

Puzzle of the "Seven Seas."

The "Seven Seas" exist in Hindu mythology, to which Kipling may have gone for his well known title. According to the Puranas the earth is circular and flat, like the flower of a water lily. Its circumference is 4,000,000,000 miles. In the center is Mount Soome-roo. On this mountain are three peaks formed of gold, pearls and precious stones, where the deities reside. At its base are three mountains, on each side of which grows a tree 8,800 miles high. The furthestmost country from these mountains is bounded by the salt sea. Beyond this sea there are six others—of sugarcane juice, of spirituous liquors, of clarified butter, of curds, of milk and of nectar. Each sea is surrounded by a separate continent—Exchange.

Worth Saving.



The features of this girl portray the finest type of Polish childhood that now lies engulfed in hunger and disease and all their attendant miseries. Relief already administered by America has preserved her beauty and freshness, albeit her eyes betray the suffering she has seen, but literally millions in her own and adjacent countries still have no one to look to but America as another winter of horror closes in upon them. To the end that their prayer may not go unanswered eight leading American relief organizations have banded together in a joint appeal in behalf of Europe's suffering children. They are the American Relief Administration, the American Red Cross, the American Friends' Service Committee (Quakers), the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, the Knights of Columbus, the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A.

30,000 YOUNGSTERS VICTIMS OF RICKETS

Of all diseases that are taking a deadly toll among the children of Vienna as the result of under-feeding rickets is proving the most serious and widespread menace. Not less than 30,000 children are suffering from this painful affliction, according to official estimates.

To rescue these through proper food, clothing and medical attention that otherwise they cannot obtain the European Relief Council, composed of eight leading American relief agencies, is making a joint appeal for \$33,000,000 for the relief of 3,000,000 destitute and suffering European children.

1,500,000 POLISH CHILDREN SICK

One million five hundred thousand children in Poland today need medical attention. Their condition has been caused by hunger and want. To them the European Relief Council is appealing to the people of the United States for \$23,000,000 to carry on relief work in stricken Europe.

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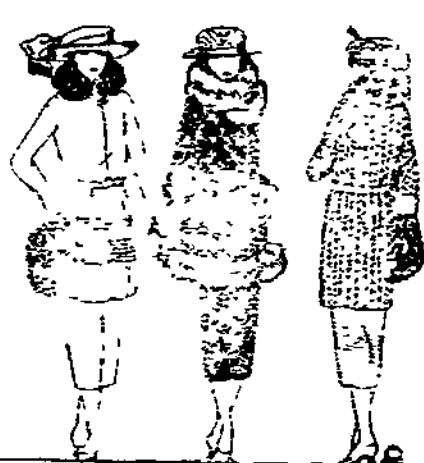
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Chloroform was not discovered by Sir James Simpson. It was the famous English surgeon, however, who, sixteen years after the anesthetic was first discovered in 1831, began his experiments. He boldly tried chloroform, on himself and two colleagues to test its effect, and the three were discovered one day lying on the floor, apparently dead. They recovered and compared notes, and so chloroform came into general surgical use.

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Pineapple, Fancy California Sliced, No. 1 can.....	23c	Asparagus, Fancy California, No. 1, can.....	24c
Peaches, Fancy California Clings, No. 3 can.....	42c	Asparagus Tips, Fancy Large Green, can.....	42c
Apricots, Fancy California, No. 3 can.....	45c	Spinach, Fancy California, No. 3 can.....	22c
Cherries, Fancy California, No. 1 can.....	28c	Stringless Beans, Fancy Cut, can.....	15c
Cherries, Fancy California, No. 3 can.....	48c	Beets, Fancy Sugar, large can.....	15c
Olive Oil, Best Imported, 1/2-pt. can.....	43c	Kraut, Fancy Long Cut, large can.....	14c
Salmon, Fancy Alaska Red, 1 tall can.....	35c	Catsup, Crescent, Pure Tomato, large bottle.....	20c
Lima Beans, Fancy Recleaned, lb.....	10c	Campbell's Soups, can.....	12c
		Dundee Milk, 2 cans.....	25c
		Breakfast Cocoa, 1 lb. in Mason Jar.....	25c

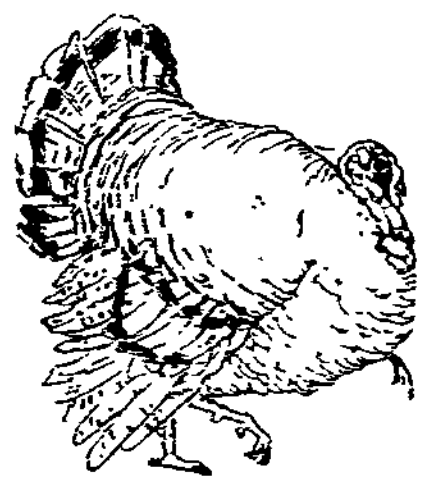
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Enjoins Safety by Prayers.
A solemn service is held every summer, at the beginning of the climbing season in the Swiss mountains, among the guides, many of whom are godly men, who know they take their lives in their hands when they ascend the Alps. So they bring their ropes with them and lay them at the foot of one of the mountains. Old and new ropes are piled in a heap, and then they are blessed by the pastor. Prayer is offered that the old ropes may still bear the strain safely and that the new ropes may prove equal to all the stress placed upon them. The guides are recommended to the mercy of God that in their daily ascents they may be kept safe, and that they may succor the travelers who trust in them.

Tree Ring Formation.
Trees that grow in well-watered soil, as in the neighborhood of a swamp, have rings of a generally even width, according to the director of the Stewart observatory at Tucson, Ariz., who has made an extensive study of the subject. Trees that grow on soil more largely dependent for its moisture upon rainfall have rings of greater variability; while on high altitudes, exposed to drought, some rings are so small as to be hardly perceptible. In estimating the climatic changes indicated in the width of rings it is obviously necessary to consider the degree of the tree's "sensitivity" to a greater or less rainfall.

Famous "Regent" Diamond.
The Regent or Pitt diamond, considered the finest and most perfect brilliant in Europe, which was bought by Mr. Pitt, governor of Madras, in 1702, for about \$100,000, is the next largest to the Koh-i-noor. He bought it in London, had it cut as a brilliant and sold it to the duke of Orleans for Louis XV. for 2,500,000 francs (normally about \$500,000). It was sent to Berlin at the time of the first French revolution, but reappeared in the hilt of the sword of state worn by Napoleon. This stone underwent two years of constant manipulation at the hands of gem cutters before it was complete.

Putting Electricity to Work.
Let no one argue that because the mind is still intangible—and probably always will be to mortal man—that psychology is impracticable. Electricity is an unknown quantity; no one knows whence it cometh or whither it goeth; yet it would be hard to find anything more practical than an electric fan on a sweltering day—to take one of the latest and most homely of its uses. Although mysterious, electricity can be directed, its reactions predicted and its power ascertained. The result is that the element is exceedingly useful.—R. H. Platt, Jr., in the World's Work.

Out in Kansas a crazy jack rabbit started up beside a passenger train making 40 miles an hour. The passengers crowded the platforms and the windows and whooped it up for the jack. The jack went completely insane and raced the train for miles, never losing an inch or a jump. As the train and jack flashed past the last mile post neck and neck the jack curled up in the air in the middle of a jump and landed, squatted on his haunches, and rubbed one of his forefeet over his nose. The jack rabbit is speedy, all right, but he's plumb crazy.—Los Angeles Times.

Rhyming Puzzles.
Picture the agony of the poet who, just as he is approaching the completion of a lyric which is to be a thing of beauty and a joy forever, finds himself suddenly brought up against a word that won't rhyme! The great poets are not easily baffled, says a writer in John O'London's Weekly. For them difficulties exist merely that they may be overcome. He would be a very confident person who would say that there is any word in the English language that is absolutely unrhymable, and it may even be (I know not) that "silver" has found its rhyme-mate.

Honey Bee Laughed at Train.
That small and bairy creature, bird, insect or beast, the honey bee develops great speed on the western plains. In Oklahoma there was a passenger train making the traditional forty miles an hour. It was a warm day and the windows of the cab were wide open on both sides. A honey bee flew through the cab, grazing the nose of the startled engineer, turned at right angles, flew for a dozen miles beside the engine, and then, with an intelligent hum, put on a spurt and disappeared up the line ahead of the rocking train.—New York Tribune.

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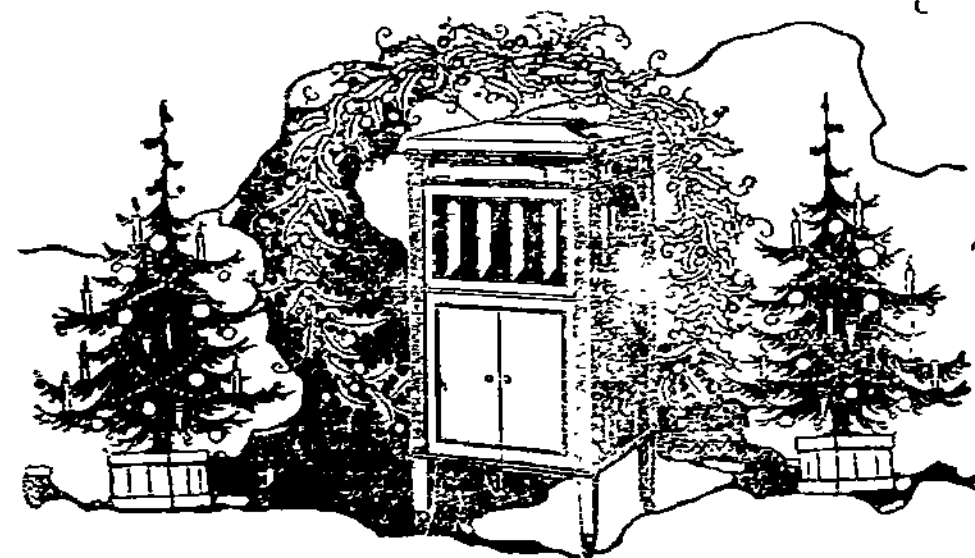
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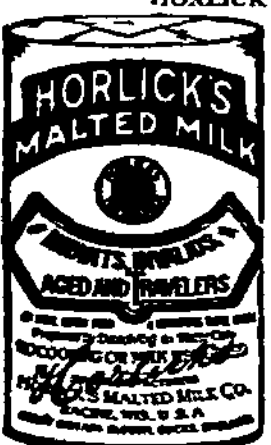
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An Appeal to the American People

THREE and one-half million children in Eastern and Central Europe have no alternative to disaster between now and next harvest except American aid. For months these most helpless sufferers in the track of war have been admitted to American feeding-stations only if tragically undernourished, and have received American medical aid only if desperately threatened by death from disease.

One 5 cent hot American meal today has saved a thousand lives.

Winter is closing down. The money of many nations is valueless outside their own boundaries. Economic and crop conditions make famine, with its terrible train of diseases, a certain visitor until next harvest. Inevitably the helpless children will suffer most. No child can grow to health and sanity on the pitiful makeshifts for food with which millions of European adults must content themselves this winter. It is obvious that the remedy can come only from outside.

America saved 6,000,000 European children winter before last. Normal recuperation cut the need nearly in half last year, but unusual conditions have resulted in scant shrinkage of child destitution during the twelvemonth just past. The response of America must now decide whether 3,500,000 of these charges, in acute distress, shall begin to be turned away in January from more than 17,000 asylums, hospitals, clinics and feeding stations dependent on American support. There would be no tragedy in history so sweeping or so destructive of those who can deserve no evil.

The undersigned organizations, working among every race and creed, many engaged also in other forms of relief, agree unanimously that the plight of these helpless children should have complete priority in overseas charity until the situation is met. This is an issue without politics and without religious lines. There can be no danger of pauperization for the \$23,000,000 for child food, and the \$10,000,000 for medical service that we seek, will relieve only the critical cases. The medical supplies, of course, must be an unqualified gift, but for every American dollar used in child-feeding, the governments and communities aided furnish two dollars in the form of transportation, rent, labor, clerical help, cash contributions and such food supplies as are locally obtainable.

America has not failed in the past in great nearness. She has never had a more poignant call than this. Contributions should be turned over to the local committees which are now being formed for this national collection, or sent to Franklin K. Lane, Treasurer, Guaranty Trust Co., New York City.

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PLIGHT OF EUROPE'S CHILDREN STAGGERS 3,500,000 CHILDREN FACING STARVATION

3,500,000 Facing Starvation Can
Only Be Saved by America's
Response to Joint Appeal.

It is utterly impossible for one who has not actually seen the misery of the early autumn in Europe to visualize what the children of the Eastern and Central portions of the continent face this winter. To say that 3,500,000 children have no alternative to starvation or death from disease except American aid, is startling, but independent observers by the score and careful scientific surveys of the economic and crop conditions overseas brand the figure as conservative.

In Poland, for instance, where 1,300,000 youngsters last year subsisted almost entirely on the one free American meal a day that they received, conditions as winter closes down, are worse than ever before. The Bolshevik invasion stripped large portions of the country of all grain. Professor E. D. Durand, Food Advisor to the Polish government, after an exhaustive survey, has reported that only forty per cent is available of the food necessary to carry the population through the winter.

In the city of Vienna tests conducted in the American Relief Administration food kitchens showed that 52 per cent of the children between the ages of 6 and 14 were "seriously under-nourished." Thirty-three per cent were markedly under-nourished, 11 per cent were slightly under-nourished and only 4 per cent approached the state of a normal American child. The American Relief Administration is feeding 300,000 Austrian children every day now, and there is no chance of diminution of need before next harvest.

The spectacle of the medical needs of Europe's children is equally appalling. Estimates reaching the American Red Cross - s to needs for medical service in the destitute areas this winter include: Old Austria-Hungary, 750,000; new Poland, 1,500,000; Czechoslovakia, 200,000; Serbia, 150,000; and Roumania, 100,000. In the fiscal year of 1919-20 the Red Cross has reached with the veritable gift of life 1,500,000 children in the affected areas. Tuberculosis is prevalent to a terrific degree. Five children out of seven in the city of Warsaw, for instance, have been found to be tubercular. Typhus is widespread; rickets, the right hand of under-nourishment is almost universal; and cholera lifts its grim head constantly in one place and another.

The European Relief Council, comprising the American Relief Administration, the American Red Cross, the American Friends Service Committee (Quakers), the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the Knights of Columbus, the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A., seeks \$33,000,000 with which to meet the situation. It has estimated that at least 25,000,000 must be had for food and \$10,000,000 for medical service to avert a total disaster among the threatened children. Checks may be sent to your local committee or to Franklin K. Lane, Treasurer European Relief Council, 42 Broadway, New York, or to the Child Saving Fund, 100 N. 3rd St., St. Paul, Minn.

The most spontaneous as well as the largest consolidation of effort in the history of American relief and charitable organizations has grown out of the disaster which threatens 3,500,000 European children this winter. To the headquarters of every agency that dispenses American mercy overseas has come one steady cry for months past: the children, most helpless and blameless sufferers in the track of war, will perish by the thousands before next harvest unless America saves them!

When Dr. Livingston Farrand, chairman of the Central Committee of the American Red Cross, returned from a recent trip abroad, his report throbbled with the need of the children. From the feeding-stations of the American Relief Administration throughout eastern and central Europe came letters, cables, pleas of every sort. The Protestant churches sent investigators into after-war conditions and every report breathed the impending tragedy of starving and diseased children. Protestant, Catholic and Jewish, the child life of Europe is threatened with heartrending misery.

The European Relief Council, with Herbert Hoover as chairman, and the whole power of American charitable thought and effort behind it, has been formed. It consists of Edgar Rickard representing the American Relief Administration; Dr. Livingston Farrand representing the American Red Cross; Felix Warburg, representing the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee; Wilbur K. Thomas, representing the American Friends Service Committee; James A. Flaherty, representing the Knights of Columbus; Dr. C. V. Hubbard, representing the Young Men's Christian Association; Miss Sarah S. Lyon, representing the Young Women's Christian Association; Dr. Arthur Brown, representing the Federal Council of Churches.

It is the purpose of the Council to raise \$33,000,000, in an appeal centering at the Christmas holidays, to the end that the situation regarding child life may be met. In every town and community of the nation, it is hoped, local committees, representing all the cooperating agencies will be formed to secure the vitally necessary funds of the amount sought. \$23,000,000 will be used for basic food. For every one of these American dollars the local governments and communities aided will furnish two dollars, in the form of transportation, labor, guards, clerical help, cash contributions and such food supplies as are locally obtainable. No children receive the free food except after medical tests showing them to be seriously under-nourished. The \$10,000,000 of the fund is just as urgently needed for medical service to the children.

The European Relief Council will do much more than effect economies in the raising of the child-saving fund. It will, with the inspecting forces of eight great agencies, keep a constant eye on the administration of America's merciful gift, in order that there shall be no wastage and no tendency toward pauperization.

EASY FOR FRENCH PEASANTS

American Tourists Expected to Pour
Golden Flood Through the War-
Devastated Regions.

Commenting on the American summer rush to Europe, especially to the French battlefields, Customs Inspector Henri Duval said in New Orleans: "I am reminded of a tourist anecdote."

"In many French provinces every peasant raises each year for his family's use one or two enormous pigs. Nothing of the pig is discarded—the fat is boiled down for lard; the blood is made into blood puddings; the lams are cured; the chops are salted; the feet are dried; the meat in the head is dropped into sausage meat; even the ears are preserved; an occasional slice of ear being used to enrich the soup. And the tail? Oh, yes, they use the tail, too. It is stewed with vegetables and contains, they say, a tiny morsel of delicious meat."

"But to return to the anecdote. An American touring the north of France one summer before the war, asked a peasant what the people thereabouts lived on."

"Pigs, monsieur, in the winter," replied the peasant, "and tourists in the summer."

Customs Inspector Duval laughed. "Well," he said, "the tales of extortion I hear from people now returning from France make me think that few peasants will be eating pigs' ears or pigs' tails this winter—they'll be eating truffled chicken and drinking champagne."

MIXED HUMOR AND TRAGEDY

Writer Tells of Relieving Touch in the
Midst of Scenes of Revolt in
Ireland.

There is no country in the world like Ireland. Even its serious attempts at revolution have a humorous side. Just as there is a touch of sadness in the wildest Irish merriment, there is a bit of good humor in the midst of its most tragic earnestness. Miss Dorothea Conyers, in her Sporting Reminiscences, tells an incident of one of the Sinn Féin uprisings:

The barrier on the Wellesly bridge was most imposing, and I remember rushing down to see it and upsetting a neat stack of bayonets, but no one minded. An irate old lady in an ass cart was trying to pass out just as I got there. Wheeled traffic had to go round by another bridge.

"Young man," she hailed the sentry. "Young man, let me pass, if ye please!"

The sentry explained matters pleasantly. "Go round be Thomond bridge."

"No, young man. Young man, let me pass. Young man, I have three young pigs hungry at home, and the male in the car. Will ye call an officer?"

After a prolonged wait she lost her temper, backed the cart into a sentry box and drove off, declaring "she'd have the law on the military."

YOUTH'S COMPANION.

Historic Estate on Market.

The Stoke Park estate, once the home of the Penns, has been placed on the market. On this property is a monument put up by John Penn in memory of the poet, Gray. On three sides are quotations from the Elegy, on the fourth is an inscription saying that the stone was erected in 1799 "among the scenery celebrated by the great Lyric and Elegiac Poet," and that he "lies unnoticed in the adjoining churchyard under the tombstone on which he piously and pathetically recorded the interment of his aunt and lamented mother." The hope is expressed that the property will not fall into hands that will permit this monument, "which in a sense has become historic, to fall into ruin."—London Times.

The consumption of lumber during the war has been approximated at 6,500,000,000 feet, board measure, by the United States forestry service. Of this amount of lumber purchased directly by the various government departments, the army consumption was nearly 5,500,000,000 feet, the navy consuming more than 120,000,000. During 1915 the Emergency Fleet corporation consumed for ship construction approximately 800,000,000 feet. Lumber needed for boxes and crates alone required approximately 2,000,000,000 feet. Structures for cantonments, hospitals, warehouses, etc., used approximately 5,000,000,000 feet.

Novel Wireless Experiments.

By means of vibratory waves sent out from an oscillator cut in her hull, the battle cruiser Ohio has been conducting some remarkable wireless experiments with the abandoned battleship Iowa in the Delaware bay near Philadelphia. The dot and dash waves are caught on the sensitive horns of the Iowa's submarine listener 10 feet below her stern. In this manner the Ohio is able to control the Iowa's engines and helm and direct her course 600 yards away. Insulated wires were installed on the Iowa to attempt to operate her at greater distances.

Shetlands Return to Ancient Industry.

A Central News correspondent reports that the whaling season off the Shetland isles has been most successful. Twenty-nine large and valuable whales were landed last week at Olnafirth station, bringing the catch for the season at that station to 260 whales, while the season's catch at Collafirth, another station in the Shetland group, was 130.—Westminster Gazette.

DRAWN WITH MASTER HAND

Walter Scott's Portraits of the Past a
Notable Contribution to Eng-
lish Literature.

No wonder that Walter Scott, who, having shown the world in the Minstrelsy and the Lay that he was editor and poet, and being himself a novel reader, should be utterly dissatisfied with the quality of the existing supply. The French Revolution, distinguished by its leveling principle and action, had ended in substituting a feudal empire for an effete monarchy; and even when Napoleon was redividing Europe into kingdoms and principalities for his family and his followers, there had sprung up—or rather revived—a deep devotion to the chivalry which had done so much in the past, and whose traditions had ingrained grace into history and breathed reality into song.

To this feeling, this principle, Scott had ministered in his poems; and now, acknowledged head of the romantic school, he resolved to extend its limits, beyond the ballad to the narrative poem and use prose as the more suitable medium. He strove to delineate the past as it seemed in the eyes of men who were dubious of the present and afraid of the future—noble, stately, glittering and gay, with the pulse of life ever beating to heroic measures. His view of feudalism in "The Talisman," "Ivanhoe" and "The Fair Maid of Perth" was not the caricature of a few preceding authors had drawn, but a portrait—faithful, if idealized.—Robert Shelton Mackenzie.

DEAL JUSTLY WITH CHILDREN

Almost Every Country Now Has
Courts to Handle Cases of Juve-
nile Delinquency.

The example set by the United States in establishing juvenile courts has been followed by all the principal countries of Europe. Spain, the last to fall in line, has adopted the modern viewpoint that delinquent children should not be treated as criminals, but rather as victims of adverse conditions and surroundings. In working out the details of the law, Spanish authorities have followed America's experience, according to information received by the children's bureau of the United States department of labor.

Under the Spanish law the children's judge is not necessarily a member of the bench. He is assisted by two advisory members appointed by the commission for the protection of children. Privacy is guarded very closely in the Spanish juvenile courts; no one except probation officers is allowed in the court unless by special permission, and the press is forbidden to publish any information about cases of juvenile delinquency.

Since Chicago established the first juvenile court in 1899, similar courts have been established in England, France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Switzerland, Italy, Germany, Russia, Austria and Hungary.

The Navipendulum.

One of the problems which naval architects have to confront is the rolling of a ship on the waves, and the "navipendulum" is an invention for dealing with it experimentally.

The apparatus consists of two parts: A plate to which a motion corresponding to that of a portion of the surface of a wave is imparted, and a pendulum of a peculiar shape which rolls upon the moving plate in the manner of a vessel supported by water.

The same pendulum can be made to represent different vessels of given size and shape by adding or removing artificial resistance to the oscillatory motion.

This instrument has been employed to study the rolling of the Italian battleships as well as those of other countries.

Go Well Without Meat.

Less than a third of the world's population gets what we should call three good meals a day, yet the working capabilities of the, from our point of view, underfed continents of Asia and Africa will compare very well with either Europe or America. The average annual meat consumption of the world is 30 pounds a head, yet both the Australian and the American eat nearer 150 pounds per head, and the Englishman is not far behind with about 120 pounds.

Dr. White of the United States geological survey has declared it "no less than an economic crime to use oil under boilers as fuel," because the supply of oil was so rapidly declining in the United States and elsewhere and because it would soon be "a very serious problem as to getting the necessary amount of lubricants—which is really the most important part of the rock oil business."

Symbolism of Animals.

In the symbolism of animals, the ant typifies frugality and provision; the bear, ill temper and uncouthness; the bull straightforwardness; the bull dog, ferocity; the butterfly, sportiveness and living in pleasure; the dove innocence and harmlessness; the fox, cunning, artifice; the goose, conceit and folly; the grasshopper, old age; the mule, obstinacy; the owl, wisdom; the peacock, pride; the swan, grace.

Building a Concrete House.

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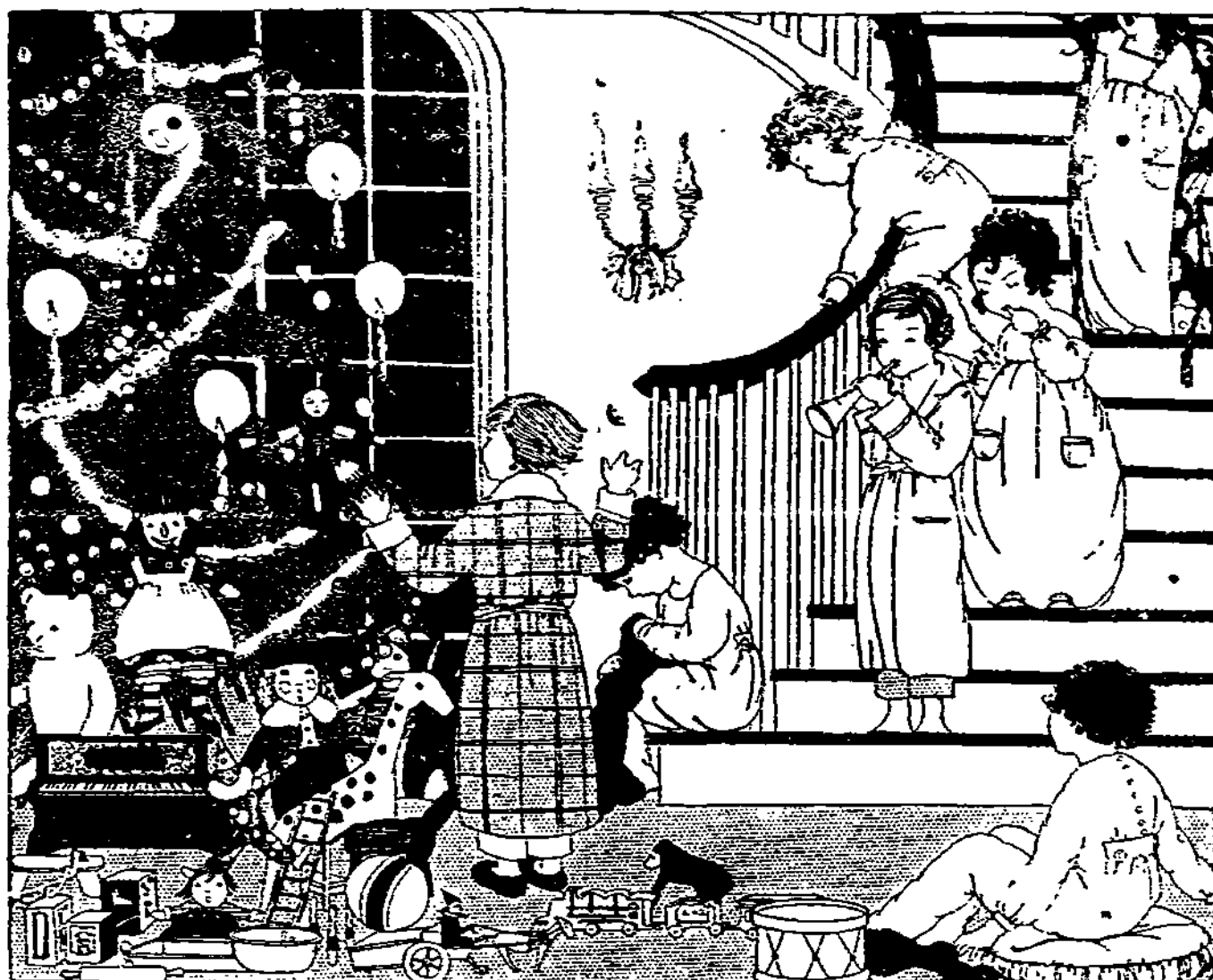
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Most important of all—gifts for babies. Dainty Dresses, Petticoats, Slips, Coach Covers, Warm Sweaters, Leggings, Bootees, Caps, Gloves, Beauty Pins, Garment Hangers, Combs and Brush Sets, Rattles and all the little playthings baby will need all are ready.

And Very Moderate In Price

CHRISTMAS BEADS BRIGHTLY WINKING, 50c TO \$3.75

Sparkling amethyst and ruby red, golden, amber color, green, deep blue—these are but a few of the delightful necklaces at these low prices. And every woman can use one or more necklaces.

ALL OUR SILKS ARE REDUCED

Good news for Christmas Shoppers! Crepe de chene, georgette crepes, satin de chene, messalines, baronet satins, crepe meteors, in fact, every yard of dependable and Guaranteed Silks May Now be had at Savings as High as \$1.50 yd.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Methodist

Sabbath School 9:45. Worship 11. Sermon, Passing of the Old. Epworth League 6:30. Devotional meeting. Topic A Purpose Meeting. Leaders, Myrtle Murray, and Elizabeth Allen. Worship 7:30. Sermon, A Question of Large Significance. Wednesday evening prayer and praise service. E. H. Greenlee, pastor.

First Presbyterian

At the First Presbyterian church Sabbath School 9:45. Preaching 11. Sermon The Birth of the King. At 6:45 Y. P. S. C. E followed by a cantata entitled "The Story that came true, rendered by the choir in conjunction with the pastor. All are cordially invited to attend these services. R. J. Shields, pastor

St. Mary's Episcopal

The annual midnight service will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal church on Friday, Christmas Eve, beginning at 11:30. The choir will sing the Communion service to Merbecke, together with a number of old English Christmas Carols. On Christmas morning there will be a celebration of the holy Communion at 10 o'clock for those who cannot come to the Midnight service. It is hoped many will come to the Midnight service to begin their Christmas day with an act of worship.

Lutheran

Christmas—Morning 6:30. Subject "The Babe in the Manger." Sunday, Sunday school 9:45. Morning worship 11. Subject, "Christ the rising and fall of many." Evening, Christmas exercises by the school. Midweek service Wednesday 7:30. J. Walter Bressler, pastor.

Washington Avenue Presbyterian Sabbath school 9:45. Preaching 11. Sermon, "Companionship Through the Years." Jr. C. E. at 2:30. Sr. C. E. 6:30. Topic, "A Purpose Meeting." Preaching 7:30. Sermon, "An Ever Recurring Need." This church wishes everyone a Happy New Year. Rev. John R. Burson, pastor.

HEAVY DEMAND FOR 1921 AUTO LICENCES

The state highway department has received applications for 1921 tags numbering 126,000, it was announced on Thursday, of which number 105,000 have been forwarded to the applicants. The number 100,000 was sent out on Thursday, being issued to Col. Samuel D. Foster of Pittsburgh.

BELIEVE ALIEN RADICAL MOVEMENT RESPONSIBLE

State and county authorities now engaged in ferreting out the activities of the "fire rats" admit they have no easy task on hand. Those responsible for the many fires during the past few days have displayed marked ability in covering up their movements, but state police believe they have secured possession of some information that may help to solve the mystery surrounding these fires.

There is growing belief in the district infested that the fire vandalism of the past 12 weeks can be traced to an organized alien radical movement, leaders in which delegate certain individuals to carry out their plan, which as is further contended, is aimed at both schools and private properties and churches.

ROBBERS WERE ACTIVE IN DONORA LAST NIGHT

Following the Christmas festivities at Donora last evening a number of robberies were reported to the Donora police. Mill men who were spectators reported the loss of various amounts, one man losing \$138.00, another \$80 and a third \$76. A man named Andrew Malkin was held up by two negroes later in the evening and robbed of \$150.00 and a gold watch. The police immediately began a round-up and in a short time a number of suspicious characters were taken into custody and locked up.

HAD TO ABANDON HUNT FOR ESCAPED PRISONER

Sheriff Alex Gray, accompanied by Sheriff Shaw, of Fayette county, was compelled to abandon the hunt for Constantine DeFelice, the escaped prisoner, who mysteriously disappeared from the Brownsville hospital early Tuesday morning. The officers had gone as far as Addison on the National pike, when deep snow compelled them to abandon the chase.

CHRISTMAS PAYROLLS WERE VERY HEAVY

A Christmas payroll of more than one million dollars was distributed on Thursday to thousands of steel workers in the Monongahela valley. Pay day was advanced a couple of days in order that the workers might have their money for the holidays. The big mills at Donora were among those that paid on Thursday.

STERLINGS DEFEAT MONESSEN TOWNSENDS

The Charleroi Sterling basket ball team defeated the Townsend team of Monessen in a well played game last night. Filipetz of the Sterlings was

the star of the game. Score and line-up:

Charleroi—25
Rickard
McKeown
C. Schafer
Filipetz

Monessen—19
Hughes
Williams
Loucks
B. Hughes

Field goals, Filipetz 5, Morgan 3, Rickard 1, J. Williams 3, B. Hughes 3, Loucke 2, Williams. Fouls—Charleroi 7 out of 12; Monessen 1 out of 10.

For Sale

At once, fruit confectionery store. Will sell cheap to quick buyer. Also 5 living rooms in same building for rent to buyer of store. Apply 1014 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 166-072

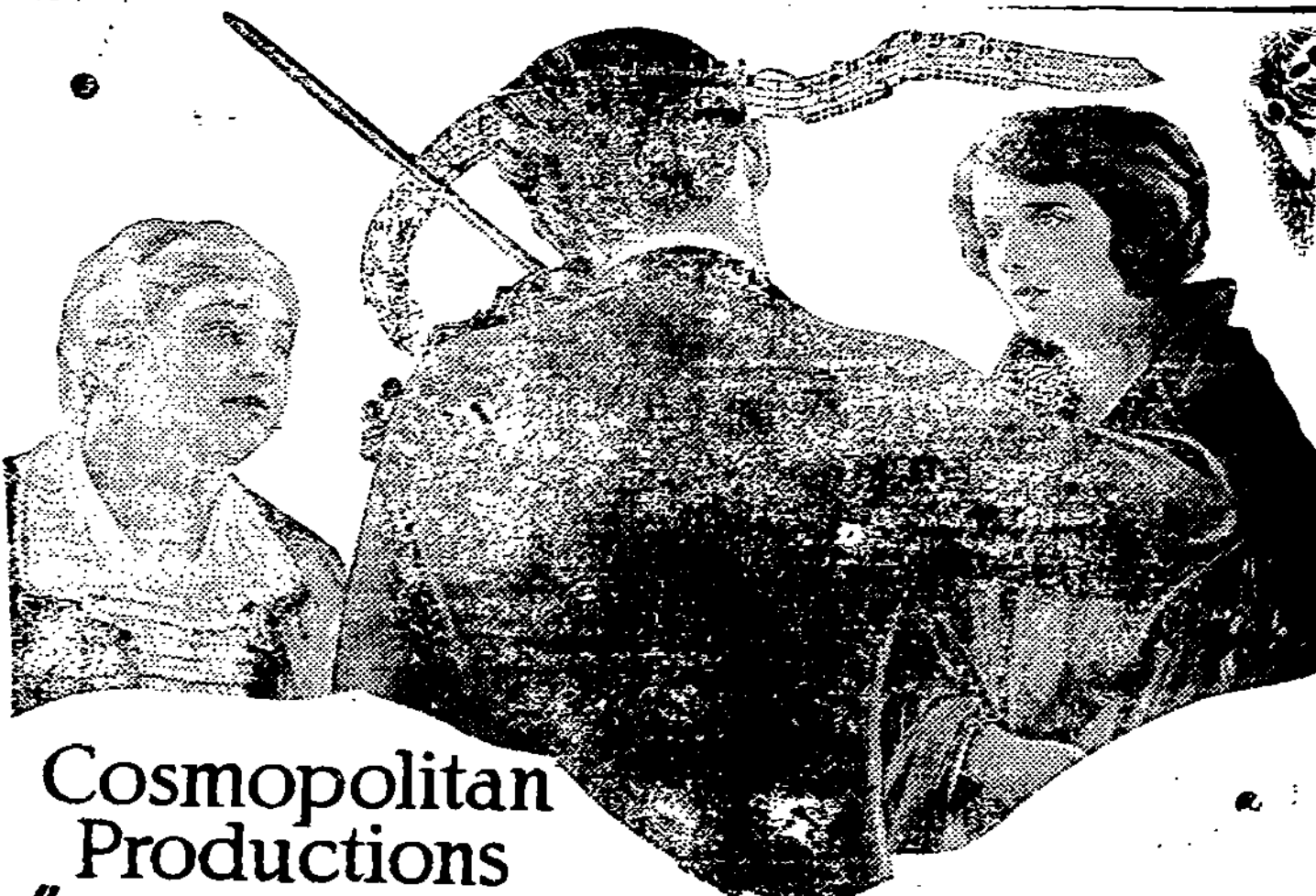
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